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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

In re national phase of:

Applicant(s): Toshio MATSUMOTO et al.

International Application No.: PCT/JP2004/016929

International Filing Date: 15 November 2004

Priority Date Claimed: 18 November 2003

Title of Invention: LASER DRIVING DEVICE, OPTICAL HEAD

INCORPORATING LASER DRIVING DEVICE, AND

OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING ENTRY INTO U.S. NATIONAL PHASE UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- 1. This express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
- 2. The U.S. National Fee (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1)) and other fees (37 CFR 1.492) as indicated below.

3.	A copy of the International application (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)):					
	a.	[X]	is transmitted herewith (International Publication No. <u>WO 2005/050800 A1</u> ).			
	b.	[]	is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office.			
	C.	[]	has been transmitted by the International Bureau. A copy of Form PCT/IB/308 is enclosed.			
4.	[X]	nslation of the International application into the English language (35 C. 371(c)(2)) is transmitted herewith (See "Original PCT" Application).				
5.	Amendments to the claims of the International application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)):					
	a.	[]	are transmitted herewith.			
	b.	[]	have been transmitted by the International Bureau.			
			nslation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (38 C. 371(c)(3)) is transmitted herewith.			
7.	A cop	A copy of the international examination report (PCT/IPEA/409)				
	a.	[]	is transmitted herewith.			
	b.	[]	is not required as the United States Patent and Trademark Office was the IPEA.			
8.	Annex(es) to the international preliminary examination report					
	a.	[]	is/are transmitted herewith(same as Amendment Under PCT Article 34).			
	b.	[]	is not required as the United States Patent and Trademark Office was the IPEA.			
9.	[]		ranslation of the annexes to the international preliminary examination ort is transmitted herewith(same as Amendment Under PCT Article).			
10.	[X]	An oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)) complying with 35 U.S.C. 115 is submitted herewith.				

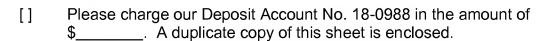
11.	11. An International Search Report (PC1/ISA/210)			
	a.	[X]	is transmitted herewith.	
	b.	[]	has been transmitted by the International Bureau.	
	C.	[]	is not required, as the application was searched by the United States International Searching Authority.	
12.	[X]	An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 is transmitted herewith, along with Form PTO-1449 and copies of citations listed.		
13.	[]	An assignment document is transmitted herewith for recording, along with a separate cover sheet.		
14.	[X]	A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.		
15.	[]	Applicant is a small entity.		
16.	[]	Other:		

Basic National Fees	Fee					
Basic National	\$300.00					
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- 17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 18-0988:
  - a. [X] 37 CFR 1.492(a)(1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) (filing fees)

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b. [] 37 CFR 1.492(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

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Respectfully submitted,

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